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SUBJECT: BREZHNEV VISIT TO FRG

REF: BONN 00302

1. AT A PRESS CONFERENCE ON JANUARY 6, FRG GOVERNMENT
SPOKESMAN BOELLING RESPONDED TO A QUESTION ON THE
TIMING OF A BREZHNEV VISIT BY SAYING THAT, WHILE A
SPECIFIC DATE HAD NOT YET BEEN AGREED UPON, HE WOULD
NOT DENY SPECULATION THAT THE SOVIET LEADER WOULD COME
THIS SPRING. BOELLING ADDED THAT HE EXPECTED FRG-
SOVIET TALKS ON THE VISIT TO BEGIN SHORTLY.

2. IN AN EARLIER CONVERSATION WITH THE AMBASSADOR
(REFTEL), STATE MINISTER WISCHNEWSKI SAID HE BELIEVED
THAT BREZHNEV WOULD PROBABLY VISIT THE FRG IN LATE
FEBRUARY OR MARCH.

3. COMMENT: AS ADDRESSEES ARE AWARE, THIS VISIT HAS
HAD AN ON-AGAIN/OFF-AGAIN QUALITY FOR SOME TIME.
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WISCHNEWSKI AND BOELLING ARE, OF COURSE, AUTHORITATIVE
SPOKESMEN FOR THE CHANCELLERY AND THEIR STATEMENTS
TEND TO GIVE CREDENCE TO REPORTS THAT IT MAY FINALLY
COME TO PASS. HOWEVER, EXPECTATIONS HAVE BEEN HIGH
BEFORE AND WE WILL NOW WAIT TO SEE WHAT HAPPENS.
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